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- 1. A submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted as follows. Please consider the Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 and Declaration of Kathy A. Welch previously filed on March 8, 2006.
- 2. Other documents enclosed are as follows: Letter to Examiner. X
- 3. The filing fee for the present request for continued examination is calculated <u>X__</u> below. No claims in excess of the number previously submitted are being added, and no claims are being amended.

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